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Serial No.: 08/905,709

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Group Art Unit: 1646

For: A METHOD TO PREVENT ACCELERATED ATHEROSCLEROSIS USING (SRAGE) SOLUBLE RECEPTOR FOR ADVANCED GLYCATION ENDPRODUCTS

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment to the above-identified application.

- X Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is enclosed.
  - No additional fee is required.

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- <u>X</u> A check in the amount of \$ 55.00 is enclosed For a one-month extension of time
- X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-3125 . Three copies of this sheet are enclosed.
  - X Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
  - X Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO APRIL 23, 2002 FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in response to an April 23, 2002 Final Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the April 23, 2002 Office Action was originally due July 23, 2002. Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time. Applicants have previously established small entity status. The required fee for a one-month extension of time for a small entity is \$55.00 and a check in this amount is enclosed. Therefore, a response to the April 23, 2002 Office Action is now due August 23, 2002. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

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